



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 64

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Thursday, November 26, 2009

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Members' Statements

Mr. Johnston, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, made a statement regarding the centennial of the Last Post Fund.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, made a statement recognizing Tom McFall, recipient of the 2009 Rozsa Award.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement recognizing November 1-7, 2009, as National Pain Awareness Week.

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding the Helping Our Students to Succeed Project.

Mr. Horne, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement recognizing December 3, 2009, as the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding climate change and carbon emissions reduction.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Prins, Chair, Standing Committee on Resources and Environment, presented the following:

Standing Committee on Resources and Environment, Report respecting presentations by Sierra Club of Canada, Canadian Wind Energy Association, Greengate Power Corporation, Alberta Geothermal Energy Association, Alberta Federation of Rural Electrification Associations, Independent Power Producers Society of Alberta, Capital Power Corporation, and Enmax Corporation dated November 2009

Sessional Paper 697/2009

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Montrose, presented a petition from 283 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to build a road to replace 84th Street that will connect Chateau Estates Park to 16th Avenue.

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Montrose, presented a petition from 72 Albertans urging the Government to grandfather the rights and status of all currently-practising Registered Massage Therapists in Alberta in a manner that they may continue their practice undisturbed and, when necessary, gradually upgrade to newly-proclaimed standards of training, so as not to force current therapists to lose their ongoing income whilst upgrading and so to ensure that clients of said therapists will be able to use their insurance coverage in order to pay for massage services from current therapists.

Mr. Xiao, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 5,788 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly urge the Government or its representatives, including boards and commissions, to locate double circuit 500kV transmission power lines 800 metres away from homes, schools, daycares, hospitals, and environmentally sensitive areas or locate them underground.

Mr. Xiao, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 1,088 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly urge the Government or its representatives, including boards and commissions, to locate double circuit 500kV transmission power lines 800 metres away from homes, schools, daycares, hospitals, and environmentally sensitive areas or locate them underground.

Mr. Boutilier, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, on behalf of Mr. Hinman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, presented a petition from over 5,000 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to redevelop Alberta Hospital Edmonton as necessary in order to maintain all services, programs, and beds operating as of September 1, 2009, at Alberta Hospital Edmonton.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Edmonton Sun article dated November 26, 2009, entitled “New top doc slams health-care politicking”

Sessional Paper 698/2009

Mr. Elniski, Deputy Chair, Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Second Quarter 2009-2010

Sessional Paper 699/2009

Mr. Quest, Hon. Member for Strathcona:

Letter, undated, from Bonnie Seutter of Sherwood Park to Mr. Quest, Hon. Member for Strathcona, attaching a petition signed by 674 Albertans opposing the construction of a high voltage power line across or within sight of the Country Side Golf Course in Strathcona County

Sessional Paper 700/2009

Dr. Sherman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Petition signed by 120 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly pass legislation that will increase the Alberta Works learner fund and make educational institutions responsible for monitoring students based on their career goals

Sessional Paper 701/2009

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Backgrounder entitled “Summary of Alternative Spending Cuts” prepared by the Alberta Liberal Caucus

Sessional Paper 702/2009

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity:

Report dated 2009 entitled “Graduate Students, Building the Alberta Advantage” prepared by the Alberta Graduate Council

Sessional Paper 703/2009

Pamphlet regarding Homeless Awareness Week, September 14-20, 2009

Sessional Paper 704/2009

Document entitled “2009 FCSS Calgary Funded Programs and Services”

Sessional Paper 705/2009

Report entitled “2008 Report on Calgary’s FSCC Program and 2009 Funding Recommendations” prepared by City of Calgary, Family and Community Support Services

Sessional Paper 706/2009

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood:

Copy of a petition signed by approximately 1,300 Albertans urging the government to do more to protect Edmonton's inner-city community schools
Sessional Paper 707/2009

Mr. VanderBurg, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne:

Letter dated November 23, 2009, from Ronald N. Stern, President and Chief Executive Officer, Alberta Newsprint Company, to Mr. VanderBurg, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne, expressing concern regarding Bill 50, Electric Statutes Amendment Act, 2009, with attached related material
Sessional Paper 708/2009

Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board, on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s8(1):

Budget 2009, Second Quarter Fiscal Update, 2009-2010
Sessional Paper 709/2009

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board:

Report of Selected Payments to the Members and Former Members of the Legislative Assembly and Persons Directly Associated with Members of the Legislative Assembly, Year Ended March 31, 2009
Sessional Paper 710/2009

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Pursuant to the Health Facilities Review Committee Act, cH-3, s16(2), Alberta Health Facilities Review Committee, Annual Report 2008-2009, April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009
Sessional Paper 711/2009

Pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College of Occupational Therapists, Annual Report 2008-09
Sessional Paper 712/2009

College of Alberta Dental Assistants, Annual Report 2008-09, June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009
Sessional Paper 713/2009

College of Alberta Psychologists, Annual Report 2008-09, with attached Financial Statements, year ended March 31, 2009
Sessional Paper 714/2009

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(6), Ms Blakeman, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of government business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, advised that in anticipation of the Assembly adjourning later this day, there was no projected government business to report.

Deputy Speaker's Statement - Pages of the Legislative Assembly

On behalf of the Speaker and Members, Mr. Cao, Deputy Speaker, made a statement recognizing the Pages and presented them with a Christmas gift.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

23. Moved by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 3(9), the Legislative Assembly stand adjourned on November 26, 2009, upon completion of Royal Assent by His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Royal Assent

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Assembly and being seated on the Throne,

The Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:

May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly has, at its present sitting, passed certain Bills to which, and in the name of the Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bills that had been passed as follows:

- 31 Rules of Court Statutes Amendment Act, 2009
- 46 Gunshot and Stab Wound Mandatory Disclosure Act
- 48 Crown's Right of Recovery Act
- 49 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2)
- 50 Electric Statutes Amendment Act, 2009
- 51 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2009
- 53 Professional Corporations Statutes Amendment Act, 2009
- 54 Personal Information Protection Amendment Act, 2009
- 55 Senatorial Selection Amendment Act, 2009
- 56 Alberta Investment Management Corporation Amendment Act, 2009
- 57 Court of Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2009
- 58 Corrections Amendment Act, 2009
- 59 Mental Health Amendment Act, 2009
- 60 Health Professions Amendment Act, 2009
- 61 Provincial Offences Procedure Amendment Act, 2009
- 62 Emergency Health Services Amendment Act, 2009
- 205 Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure (Third Party Advertising) Amendment Act, 2009

To these Bills, Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Bills.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Assembly.

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 23 agreed to by the Assembly on November 26, 2009, and on motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 26, 2009